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SUBJECT: ROMANIAN YOUTH EXCHANGE

REF: STATE 22968, BUCHAREST 0450

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED INFORMAL INDICATION THAT ROMANIAN UNION OF COMMUNIST YOUTH (UTC) DELEGATION IS INCLINED TO ACCEPT ACYPL-SUGGESTED TRAVEL DATES FOR THEIR VISIT TO UNITED STATES. STOICA (UTC, INTERNATIONAL SECTION) TOLD EMBOFF FEBRUARY 1 THAT LATE FEBRUARY-EARLY MARCH IS MOST CONVENIENT TIME-FRAME AVAILABLE, GIVEN AN ALREADY FULL SPRING AND SUMMER PROGRAM SCHEDULE. STOICA SAID UTC WAS NOW ATTEMPTING TO SHAKE FIRST SECRETARY STEFANESCU LOOSE FROM SOME PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS SO THAT HE MIGHT HEAD UTC DELEGATION. STOICA DID NOT KNOW IF THESE EFFORTS WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL. WHEN EMBOFF SUGGESTED THAT UTC MIGHT STILL CONSIDER POSTPONING VISIT, PARTICULARLY IF THIS WOULD ENSURE STEFANESCU'S PRESENCE, STOICA REPLIED THAT, WITH OR WITHOUT STEFANESCU, IT APPEARED THAT DELEGATION WOULD HAVE TO TRAVEL WITHIN THE PREVIOUSLY INDICATED PERIOD, IF ANY VISIT WERE TO TAKE PLACE THIS YEAR. HE AGREED TO INFORM EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY WHEN FINAL OFFICIAL DECISION IS TAKEN.

2. HAVING DELIVERED, AS INSTRUCTED IN JANUARY 15 TRANSMITTAL NOTE FROM CU/EE, ACYPL LETTER TO UTC FIRST SECRETARY STEFANESCU URGING THAT UTC DELEGATION MAKE EARLY VISIT TO UNITED STATES, WE HOPE THAT DEPARTMENT WILL DO ALL IT CAN TO ENSURE SUCCESS OF VISIT,  
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IF IT TAKES PLACE, DESPITE DIFFICULTIES MENTIONED IN STATE 22968.

PARTICIPATION OF ACYPL, OR AT LEAST SOME MEMBERS OF ACYPL DELEGATION WHICH VISITED HERE, E.G. PAMELA POWELL (DIRECTOR FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS, THE WHITE HOUSE), WOULD SEEM ESSENTIAL TO SUCH SUCCESS. MISS POWELL HAD AGREED TO ARRANGE MEETING AT THE WHITE HOUSE FOR THE ROMANIANS IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THEIR ESTABLISHING CONTACT WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF U.S. YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH IS THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE VISIT, FROM ROMANIAN POINT OF VIEW. WE DOUBT THAT AN OUTSIDE CONTRACTUAL AGENCY COULD SATISFACTORILY MEET ROMANIAN OBJECTIVES IN THIS REGARD. ROMANIANS AND STEFANESCU PERSONALLY HAVE REPEATEDLY EMPHASIZED THAT THEY WISH TO USE THIS VISIT TO ESTABLISH MEANINGFUL CONTACTS AND SET-UP FUTURE EXCHANGES WITH U.S. YOUTH ORGANS. TOURISM AND EVEN OBSERVATION OF THIS YEAR'S ELECTORAL PROCESS DO NOT RATE A VERY HIGH PRIORITY ON THEIR SCALE.

3. EMBASSY WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT INFORMED OF WHATEVER INFORMATION WE RECEIVE FROM UTC REGARDING THEIR PROSPECTIVE VISIT AND WILL SEND FULL BIOGRAPHIC DATA AS SOON AS IT IS AVAILABLE.  
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